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New Class of Locomotives
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether railways is developing a new class of locomotives which will be capable of running on both electricity and diesel;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which it will be developed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)
(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) Indian Railways is planning to develop a diesel locomotive with dual mode capability, which would be able to work as an electric locomotive in electrified area. Research, Design and Standards

Organization (RDSO) has developed a specification for dual mode passenger locomotive in July, 2015. Specification for the dual mode freight locomotive is under finalization.

(c) Proposal for development is still under examination in Railway Board. Prototype will be ready by March, 2017.

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